

AGENDA
Wednesday, July 22, 2015
11:00 a.m.
Council Chambers
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Meeting Called to Order/Pledge of Allegiance
NB: Meeting being recorded

Roll Call: Council: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski
Dept. Heads: Law, Development, Public Works, Compt., Public Safety, Recreation

Resolution:

A resolution changing the Council meeting of July 20, 2015 to be rescheduled for Wednesday, July 22, 2015 at 11:00 a.m.

Hearings from Citizens:

Approval of Minutes of special meeting of June 9, 2015 and regular meeting of June 16, 2015.

Departmental Reports:

1. City Compt. – AP Check listing #49, June 4, 2015.
2. City Compt. – AP Check listing #50, June 11, 2015.
3. City Compt. – AP Check listing #51, June 18, 2015.
4. City Compt. – AP Check listing #52, June 25, 2015.
5. City Compt. – AP Check listing #53, June 30, 2015.
6. City Compt. – AP Check listing #54, July 3, 2015.
7. City Treasurer – Receipts deposited into general fund – June 2015.
8. City Clerk – Monthly report June, 2015.
9. City Compt – State of Conditions of Approp. as of June 30, 2015.

Communications from the Mayor:

10. **Mayor Szymanski** – requests Council approval of resolution authorizing the mayor to apply for grant through the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to rehabilitate the recreational trail behind the Senior Citizens Center.

Communications from the Council:

11. **Council President Pirowski** – requests clarification from City Attorney as to whether the Council action on the budget creates a new position.
12. **Council President Pirowski** – seeks police patrols on Bell Street alleviating the speeding of vehicles looking to avoid the traffic signal at Ridge and Abbott.

13. **Council President Pirowski** - requests the City Attorney advise the council whether the residents of the LMHA consisting of 490 units are paying their garbage fees.
14. **Council President Pirowski** – requests the development office inform the council as to the status of the downed fence at the end of Relich Street.
15. **Council Member Jerge** – requests confirmation from the Mayor on which offices in City Hall have bonded employees. Suggests monies taken in at the Engineering office be deposited through Treasurer or Clerk's Office.
16. **Council Member Jerge** – requests the Comm. of Public Works provide the Council with a quote per linear foot for curb replacement for both traditional curbs and drainage curbs.
17. **Council Member Jerge** – requests Recreation director provide a summary of revenue generated from out of town player fees for past three years and the number of teams that have participated in each league since 2010.
18. **Council Member Jerge** –requests an expense report from the last three years for expenses incurred from softball and the Lackawanna Festival.
19. **Council Member Jerge** – requests Director of Development consider the demolition of 330-336 Ridgewood Circle which is posing a safety threat to neighbors due to “squatters” and drug paraphernalia found on the property.
20. **Council Member Jerge** – requests the Director of Development confirm that upon the city crew cutting grass/picking up garbage on vacant properties, that the cost of these services is added to the taxes on the property. How much was billed to the last two years tax rolls, the properties they were billed to and how much funds were recovered.
21. **Council Member Jerge/Council Member Noman**– Requests that the speed limit in Bethlehem Park be changed from 30 mph to 20 mph and signs to be erected at the certain intersections. Requests City attorney prepare necessary traffic ordinance.
22. **Council Member Jerge** – requests director of Public Safety submit an expense report from the last three (3) years for expenses incurred from the Lackawanna Festival as pertaining to police and fire personnel costs for security and safety.

Communications from Department/Division Heads:

23. **City Attorney** – submits a traffic ordinance for council approval, erecting stop signs at intersection of Holland Avenue with stop sign on Wilson Avenue with entrances east and west.

- 24. Director of Development** – requests Council award contract for the demolition of three structures for the low bidders; Regional Environmental and Empire Diagnostics.
- 25. Fred Grasso, Animal Control Officer** – advises the Council of NYS Agriculture and Markets law changing the number of days a dog can be impounded from five (5) days to three (3) days, requests the council adopt an ordinance amending Chapter 66, “Animals”.
- 26. Comm. of Public Works** - Requests Council direct the City Clerk to advertise for bids for the paving of Electric Avenue from Kirby north, also repaving of Kane, Olcott and Wilson Streets. CDBG grant received in the amount of \$100,000, the remainder of the project will be funded through available CHIPS funds. Also requests Council approve awarding the contract to the lowest qualified bidder so resurfacing can start as soon as possible.
- 27. City Assessor** – submits resolutions for council approval establishing the adjusted base proportions for the city and school district for period of 2015-2016.
- 28. Director of Development** – requests Council award contract for demolition of three buildings to low bidders, Regional Environmental and Empire Diagnostics.
- 29. Director of Development** – seeks Council approval of contract with John W. Danforth Company to conduct an Performance Based Self Funded Energy Efficiency Improvement Audit.

30. Business Licenses:

Ahmed F. Ahmed – Metro PCS Dealer – 2719 South Park Avenue

31. Entertainment Licenses:

Our Lady of Victory Basilica – Pennies to Heaven- 5 day permit - \$25

Resolutions:

A resolution establishing the adjusted base proportions of the NYS Real Property Tax Law for the Lackawanna School District for fiscal years 2015-2016

A resolution establishing the adjusted base proportions of the NYS Real Property Tax Law for the City of Lackawanna for fiscal years 2015 – 2016

A resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor to apply for funding through the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to rehabilitate the recreational trail behind the Senior Citizens Center.

A resolution authorizing the mayor to enter into an agreement with John W. Danforth Company for performance based energy efficient improvement audit.

Ordinances:

An ordinance amending Chapter 215.22 “ Stop Intersections” to erect stop signs at the intersection of Holland Avenue with stop sign on Wilson Avenue with entrances on the east and west side.

Tabled Items:

Adjournment:

Persons wishing to speak before the Council shall give their name, address and limit their comments to three (3) minutes on agenda items only and direct their questions to the presiding officer. To place an item on the agenda, persons shall submit their correspondence in letter form, signed and forwarded to the City Clerk, via certified mail or in person before 12:00 noon pm on the Wednesday before the Council meeting. The Council has the final approval of all agenda items. Please turn off your cell phones, Gentlemen, remove your hats.